

FOR A COAL-BLACK STEED

**A GOOD-LOOKING STATUE OF LIBERTY
SUED BY UNCLE SAM.**

Any one who went to the carnival at the skating rink on the night of April 15 could not have helped noticing rather a striking group of three persons, one of whom stood on a pedestal. This person represented Bartholdi

The state was Miss Mary Robert H. Bostwick, the blackest lawyer. She wore dark hair, long and straight, and a flowing, and on her head she wore a crown. Under her left arm she held a book, and while her right hand held also a parchment scroll. He assumed the exact attitude of the statue which he had seen at the top of the column. The statue was struck with his merits after seeing him in an advertisement on his native side.

United States was Mr. Solomon L. Pakas, who appeared with a light yellow moustache, wide-brimmed white plug hat, a bright-blue cutaway coat with flowing tails, red-and-white striped trousers, and cowboy boots. Mr. Pakas is a young tailor at 710 Broadway, who, as a rule, wears white with a red tie.

France was Miss Reola Racer, the sister of the statue. She is black eyed and pretty, and a voluminous red, white, and blue gown was very becoming to her.

They won the horse.

Yesterday Mr. Solomon L. Pakas used Miss Mary Racer for its ownership. The case came on for trial at 11 o'clock in Municipal District Court in fifty-seventh street. Miss Racer was represented by ex-Senator Gross, her father, and her uncle. Mr. Pakas's lawyer was Mr. J. J. O'Connell. The case was heard and awarded the prize the announcer, Mr. Reed,

Awarded to Bartholdi's Status of Liberty-Miss Mary Racey. Miss Racey got an order from the court to sell the property of her father in East Sixty-third street. Mr. Pakus called her father and told him that it was his horse, and that Miss Racey had understood that that was the reason he would belong to him. Mr. Racey estimated that he had conceived a kind of an idea that the horse belonged to his daughter, and that she would keep it. Mr. Pakus gave a bond for the value of the animal and the interest on it, and the horse was turned over to Mr. Pakus's possession. Mr. Racey tried to get it back by offering a bond, but could not.

room yesterday when the case was called on for a standing room was at a premium. All the skaters were there in a body, and the court was gay with the feathers and flowers which bloomed in the ladies' hats. The Justice rapped the court to order, the ladies stopped whispering, and the lawyers braced themselves. Mr. Pakas took the witness stand. He testified that he first met Miss Mary Lacey's acquaintance two years ago and did not see her again until the Saturday night before the accident.

Then the witness said that after this he told Miss Kacey that she was a better skater than Miss Lewis but that he did not know her name. He said that he had been to the skating rink with his niece's place. The young lady said that she would like it.

"And I told distinctly," the witness said, "that if the horse was won it was to Miss Kacey."

Then the witness said that he told the young lady that he would call upon her father and mother.

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Caste Prejudice a Sin.

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—In the Methodist General Conference to-day the Rev. J. M. Shreveport of the Mississippi Conference offered the following, which was adopted:

"Inasmuch as there has been a great deal of discussion, both in the North and South, of caste in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and inasmuch as caste is a sin, and every nation, and more especially every church, denomination, and inasmuch as we believe that caste is a sin, therefore,

Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, that every university should exclude from its course of instruction race, color, or previous condition of servitude."

Friends of the Forecast.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The American Forestry Congress met this morning in the Agricultural Building. The Congress passed resolutions to the effect that it had withdrawn from the United States Department of the Interior of New York to preserve, protect, and regulate the forests of the United States.

JUDAH P. BENJAMIN DEAD.

THE CAREER OF THE CONFEDERATE
SECRETARY OF STATE

LONDON. May 9.—Major P. Benjamin, the distinguished lawyer and advocate, and ex-officio member of the Government of the Southern Rhodesia, is dead.

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Some of his arguments are famous in legal literature. Years ago he refused to take any briefs except non-appeal, and was therefore known as the "non-appeal" lawyer.

At one time during the early history of his legal practice in England, he was reduced in circumstances by the failure of the house of

Frederic & Gurney, and he resorted to writing for the press to support himself and his family. He was the chief clerk of the *London Daily Telegraph*, and contributed to the *Standard*, the *Illustrated London News*, and to the editorial columns of that journal. His best personal acquaintance was with the late Mr. John Lubbock, who immediately attracted the attention of lawyers, and who, in consequence, was enabled to prosecute his practice exceedingly with great rapidity.

Mr. Benjamin recently retired from the active management of his business, and has been the tokens of the high regard in which he was held by both the bench and bar of England.

Obituary.

John F. Slater, the philanthropist, who educated schools for the colored men of the South, died at his residence in Norwich, Conn., yesterday. Mr. Slater was born in 1804, at Andover, Mass., and was a member of the American Anti-Slavery Society, a director in the *Massachusetts Western Manufacturing Company* of Worcester, and interested largely in his manufacturing enterprises in New England and the West Indies, and in the education of the colored people in Liberia. He had made an extensive tour of inspection in Liberia, and had been estimated at more than \$7,000,000 in stockholders. A few years ago he was elected a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Lemuel Shaw, a prominent lawyer in Boston, and his wife, Mary, were known in business and social circles, died and was buried on Tuesday night, August 10, 1892, at the age of 83, as the son of the late Chief Justice Shaw. He was president of the Boston Mills, and had other influential positions.

William Sherman, the heaviest man in Warren county, died at Glen's Falls yesterday morning. Ten years ago he weighed 400 pounds, but since then he had reduced it to 200 pounds. He was the owner of the Sherman House at Lake George.

Philip A. Tunison died suddenly at his home in Somers yesterday evening, aged 88. He drew a pension as a veteran of the war. He had 12 children, 43 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, and

Dr. Gross's Body to be Cremated.

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—The body of the late Dr. Samuel D. Gross of this city was taken to Washington, Pa., this evening, where it will be cremated, in accordance with the last wishes of the deceased surgeon. Dr. Gross also requested that none should look upon his face after death except the physicians who conducted

Monkey Cuts Richmond County \$10,000.
A pet monkey upset a lamp on the oil-laden bed, *Memphis* just fell on his head.

While on fire near West New Brighton, Staten Island, the Pilot Commissioners ordered Richmond county to move the wreck, because it interfered with navigation. The owners sent wreckers to strip the wreck, and a county wreck knaster had them arrested.

The county received a bill of \$4,500 from a contractor for raising the hall. The assessors have assessed the county for \$2,000, the alleged value of the work. The assessor's record shows that the assessor has begun suits for false assessment. It is estimated that the county will have to pay out not less than \$10,000. The monkey perished in the dance.

John Irving in the General Sessions on Friday. Her Davidson will take him to the penitentiary to serve a term of two years. He was also fined \$250 by Recorder Smith in May last, when he was convicted of assaulting Dick Darling, a saloon keeper, with the butt of a pistol, the whereabouts of "Jim" Irving were a secret last evening. His friends would not say whether he would would not appear for sentence.

Pittsburgh, May 7.—This afternoon the Alice
oper company, which has been playing in the sur-
rounding small towns, arrived in this city in a badly
derelict condition. Business has been bad for some

past, and the company are stranded here without money. They played at Braddock, Pa., last night, but the audience was hardly large enough to pay the fares this city. Manager Watkins and Alice Gates, his wife, left this evening for New York. The rest of the company is still here.

Digging Noises on Second Avenue.

At 11:20 last evening, about 300 workmen

They then took possession of Second avenue and Twenty-second street, and went to work digging holes on both sides of the avenue in which to plant telegraph poles.

One of the foremen said the poles were being erected by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, and that they intended to finish the job before they could be stopped by an injunction.

A Railroad's Semi-Centennial.
About June 1 the stockholders of the Long and Railroad Company will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of their company by an

tion over the road. The company is the oldest
road corporation in the State operated under its
original title.

Signal Office Prediction.

Partly cloudy weather and rain, followed by
fair weather and northeasterly winds, becoming
variable, stationary temperature.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

The number of cases of small-pox in Ashland, Pa., is increasing, and fears are entertained that it will become epidemic.

Archibald F. Law, freight agent of the Norheaster and Ashburgh Railroad, has quit Buffalo, leaving a letter, in which he admitted that he was short \$300. His accounts

Ex-County Commissioner McKinney Smith of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who yesterday entered a plea of guilty to the charge of embezzlement, was yesterday sentenced to imprisonment for two years.

The jury in the case of "Bug" Cephias, colored, on trial at Cambridge, Md., for the murder of Mrs. Cephias, rendered a verdict of guilty yesterday morning. The defense moved for a new trial.

Since Clark, confidential clerk of Rudolph Hoehkoff, a large commission merchant, and the Austro-Hungarian Consul in San Francisco, is short in his accounts of \$100, lost in private speculations.

The Railroad Committee of the Massachusetts Legis-

has unanimously reported adversely on allowing telegraph and telephone companies the right to use land railroad for erecting lines of wire.

At the sale of imported Jersey cattle, the whole importation of 1883 by Messrs. Herr, Harris, and McFerran, in Lexington, Ky., on Tuesday afternoon, fifty-six head were sold for \$19,381, an average of \$345 per head.

The County Board of Prison Inspectors, at their meeting in Easton, Pa., yesterday, unanimously recom-

duced the commutation of sentence of Sabato D'Amico, the Italian murderer, to imprisonment for life.

The National Transit Company will insure the oil today that of the stocks of the United Pipe Line is than 600,000 barrels remain. The stocks of the National Transit Company are now more than 37,000 barrels of crude petroleum.